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June 2, 1977

Hon. Stansfield Turner
Director
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Dear Admiral Turner:

As you know, recent developments in southern Africa, particularly Angola, have been of great concern to Congress and the American people. One very troubling aspect of these developments has been Soviet and Cuban involvement. It appears that the Soviet Union is placing greater emphasis on the Third World. It also appears that the primary instruments being utilized by the Soviet Union for influence and penetration are economic aid, military aid, economic and military advisers, and--in some instances such as Angola, Mozambique, Guinea-Bissau, and Ethiopia--Cuban combat troops.

Since I feel that it is important that the American people be appraised of Soviet activity in the Third World, it would be helpful if we were better informed on the scope and direction of Soviet interests in the Third World. One important way of doing this is to be kept abreast of where the Soviet Union is investing its economic and military aid. My office, via the Congressional Research Service, has been in contact with your Agency concerning such figures. To date, I have been able to obtain Soviet economic aid figures current to 1976. However, we have been told by the Office of Legislative Affairs that military aid figures after 1974 are classified and thus cannot be released. Although I have been briefed personally on this subject by members of your staff, I feel that such figures, if made public, would enable both Congress and the American people to better assess Soviet intentions in the Third World and, if necessary, to ascertain a suitable response. Therefore, if you could please provide me with the following information--on an unclassified basis--it would be greatly appreciated:

1. The dollar value of Soviet military aid to the Third World on a country-by-country basis for the years 1975 and 1976;
2. The number of Soviet economic and military advisers in the Third World on a country-by-country basis for the years 1975 and 1976; and

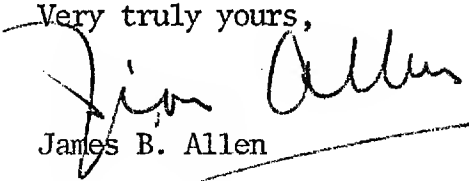
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3. The number of Cuban military and economic "advisers" in the Third World on a country-by-country basis for the years 1975 and 1976.

Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

With kindest regards, I am

Very truly yours,


James B. Allen

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